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18. The method of claim 15, further comprising destroying, at the server, the first and second decryption keys.

19. A method of accessing encrypted information, comprising:
retrieving a first encrypted information;
receiving, from a remote server, a first decryption key;
accessing the first encrypted information with the first decryption key;
destroying, at the user location, the first decryption key for the first segment; and
receiving a second decryption key for accessing a second encrypted information after
said destroying. ---

REMARKS

The Pending Action rejects claims 1-3 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Erickson in view of Saito.

Claims 1-19 are now in the application. Claims 1 and 3 have been amended. Claims 4-19 have been added.

Reconsideration of the rejection of claims 1-3, and favorable consideration of new claims 4-19, are respectfully requested.

The Pending Action rejects claim 1 under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Erickson in view of Saito. In view of the amendments to claim 1, the Examiner's rejection is respectfully traversed.

Claim 1 as amended recites accessing the segment, displaying the accessed segment in response to the accessing, and destroying the accessing segment in response to the displaying. As a result, the accessed segment of claim 1 only exists momentarily to create the display, whereupon it is destroyed, leaving only the segment as displayed. Absent physically photographing or transcribing the accessed segment as it appears on the display, the otherwise

brief lifespan of the accessed segment of claim 1 makes it difficult to electronically copy and/or otherwise access. Neither Erickson nor Saito, either alone or in combination, teach or suggest destroying the accessed segment in response to displaying it.

Accordingly, claim 1 as amended is believed to be patentably distinct over the cited art. Withdrawal of the rejection of claim 1 and allowance of the same is therefore respectfully requested.

Claim 2, which depends from claim 1, has also been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Erickson in view of Saito. In view of at least the amendments to claim 1 and the remarks advanced in favor of the same, this dependent claim is likewise believed to be patentably distinct over the cited art. Withdrawal of the rejection of claim 2 and allowance of the same is therefore respectfully requested.

Claim 3 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103 as obvious over Erickson in view of Saito. The Examiner has stated that claim 3 fails to positively recite destroying the first key as a precondition for receiving the second key. While Applicants disagree with this statement, for purposes of facilitating prosecution Applicants have nonetheless amended claim 3 to recite the noted limitation in a manner consistent with the Examiner's' view of the requirements of positive recitation. Since the elements of claim 1 are the same as those present in the original form of the claim, Applicants consider these amendments to be for purposes of formality, and are not advanced to overcome the cited art. Withdrawal of the rejection of claim 3 and allowance of the same is therefore respectfully requested.

Claims 4-19 have been added to further define that which Applicants regard as their invention. No new matter has been added.

In view of the foregoing, the application is now believed to be in proper form for allowance, and a notice to that effect is earnestly solicited.

Please note that any amendments to the claims which have been made in this amendment, that have not been specifically noted to overcome a rejection based upon the prior art should be considered to have been made for a purpose unrelated to patentability, and no estoppel should be deemed to attach thereto.

If a telephone conference would be of value, the Examiner is requested to call the undersigned attorney at the number listed below.

Should an extension of time be necessary to maintain the pendency of this application, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional extension fee to Deposit Account No. 19-4293.

Respectfully submitted,



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